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The Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 15 and 16 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. However, the Applicants believe that broader patent protection is available.

On page 2 of the Office Action the Examiner rejects claims 1, 2, 4-14, and 16-21 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious from the teaching of the Labor Saver TM Illustration

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